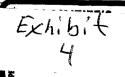
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2	FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI			
3	SOUTHERN DIVISION			
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5	KASEY D. ALVES,			
6	Plaintiff,			
7	VS. CAUSE NO.: 1:06cv912 LG-JMR			
8 9 10	HARRISON COUNTY MISSISSIPPI, BY AND THROUGH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS; HARRISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT; SHERIFF GEORGE PAYNE, JR.; AND HEALTH ASSURANCE, LLC.,			
11	Defendants.			
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13	DEPOSITION			
14	OF			
15	GEORGE PAYNE, JR.			
16	Taken on behalf of the Plaintiff			
17	9:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 12th, 2008			
18	before			
19	Lisa H. Brown, CSR #1166			
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                (Whereupon, Exhibit 1 was marked.)
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                        GEORGE PAYNE, JR.,
     having been produced and first duly sworn, was
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     examined and testified as follows:
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                           EXAMINATION
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     BY MR. PRINGLE:
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                Please state your name.
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               George H. Payne.
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               Your current occupation?
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               Retired.
               When did you retire?
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               January of this year.
               What was your occupation before you retired?
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               Sheriff of Harrison County.
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                And for what period of time did you serve as
     sheriff?
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               Eight years. January 2000, I believe, is
     when I started.
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                January 2000 is when you took the first
     office?
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               First took office.
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              And you served in that office through
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          Q.
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December of 2007?

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- A. Yeah.
- Q. As Sheriff of Harrison County, what is your or what was your role in the supervision of the Harrison County Adult Detention facility?
- A. I was responsible for whatever went on there.
- Q. What oversight, if any, did the Harrison County Board of Supervisors provide in your supervision of the jail?
  - A. They were the funding source.
- Q. Were you ever required to submit any policies to the Harrison County Board of Supervisors?
  - A. Required to submit policies and procedures?
- Q. Yeah. Policies and procedures for the jail, were you ever required to submit them to the Board of Supervisors?
- A. I don't think by statute I was required to, but we tried to.
- Q. When you would try to submit them to them, what is the reason you would do that?
- A. For budgetary reasons, to let them know if we needed this and needed that, or if we were short on manpower why we were short on manpower, things of that nature.

receive	some	additional	manpower?
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- A. Received funding for fifty more officers.
- Q. Do you remember how many you were requesting at the time that you received funding for fifty more?
  - A. No, I don't.
- Q. Was the jail properly staffed, in your opinion, during the time that you were the Sheriff of Harrison County, Mississippi?
  - A. No.

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- Q. To what do you attribute that lack of staff?
- A. Lack of funding.
  - Q. Did you submit budgets to the Board of Supervisors requesting funding?
    - A. Every year, yes, sir.
  - Q. The budgets that you submitted, if approved, would that have given you adequate manpower?
    - A. Yes.
  - Q. In any year that you submitted those budgets for adequate manpower at the jail, did the Board of Supervisors ever approve it?
  - A. Only when they were forced that one time by Judge Gex, as I can remember.
  - Q. Now, in your attempt to obtain adequate manpower at the jail, other than submitting budgets, policies and procedures, were there any other matters